AMENDMENT TO THE AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE TO H.R. 3717 OFFERED BY MR. MARKEY

Definition of indecency

After section 10 insert the following new section (and redesignate the succeeding sections accordingly):

1 SEC. 11. DEFINITION OF INDECENCY.

- 2 (a) Special Definition.—In addition to the defini-
- 3 tion of indecency that the Federal Communications Com-
- 4 mission utilizes with respect to broadcast licensees, the
- 5 definition of indecency contained in subsection (b) applies
- 6 to the Commission itself.
- 7 (b) Definition.—It shall be considered indecent and
- 8 patently offensive to contemporary community standards
- 9 for the local media marketplace for a single person under
- 10 Commission rules to own 3 television station licenses, 8
- 11 radio station licenses, the only newspaper in town, the only
- 12 cable system in town, and all the Internet assets of such
- 13 entities, within one community.
- (c) Fines and Penalties.—In lieu of a monetary
- 15 fine, Commissioners who misguidedly supported the mas-
- 16 sive deregulation of media ownership shall be required
- 17 to—



(1) take remedial courses in the civic impor-
tance of media diversity and localism and the infor-
mational needs of citizens of a great democracy; and
(2) shall be required to watch the movie "Cit-
izen Kane" over and over again until they flinch at
the word "rosebud".

